

REMARKS

By entry of this reply, claims 1-50 are cancelled and claims 51-99 are added. This results in claims 51-99 pending in the application, with claims 51, 65, 74, 82, 89, and 95 being independent.

Independent claims 1, 13, 22, 25, 28, 31, 33, and 38 were rejected as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,740,252 (Minor). Dependent claims 2, 3, 23, 29, and 37 were rejected as obvious over Minor in view of U.S. Patent Application 2001/0039587 (Uhler). Dependent claims 7-10, 19-21, 24, 27, 30, 32, 34, 35, 39, and 40 were rejected as obvious over Minor in view of Loeb. Applicant respectfully submits that claims 51-99 are patentable over Minor, Uhler, and Loeb, either singly or in combination.

Independent claim 51 recites, among other things, a “method performed by a proxy server” that includes “inserting an additional field into [an intercepted] HTTP request,” where “the additional field [contains a] retrieved identifier” that is used by an HTTP server “to retrieve user profile information from a storage associated with the HTTP server.” Independent claims 74 and 89 recite similar elements in the form of a computer-usable medium and a proxy server, respectively.

Similarly, independent claim 65 recites, among other things, a “method performed by an HTTP server” that includes “receiving a modified HTTP request from a proxy server,” where “the proxy server created the modified HTTP request by inserting a field into an HTTP request intercepted by the proxy server.” “[T]he inserted field [contains] an identifier” that is used “to retrieve user profile information from a storage associated with the HTTP server.” Independent claims 82 and 95 recite similar elements in the form of a computer-usable medium and an HTTP server, respectively.

It is respectfully submitted that Minor, Uhler, and Loeb, either singly or in combination, do not describe or suggest at least these aspects of independent claims 51, 65, 74, 82, 89, and 95. Accordingly, independent claims 51, 65, 74, 82, 89, and 95, and the claims that depend from them, are allowable over Minor, Uhler, and Loeb.

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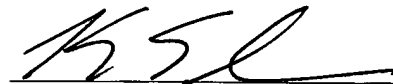
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